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| 50X1 | 1. Talked with Mr. Gerald T. Horton, | |
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| | Administrative Assistant to Representative Charles L. Weltner, | |
| 50X1 | regarding the application of I advised | |
| 50X1 | Mr. Horton that since the Agency might utilize | |
| | services in sensitive work, we would prefer not to engage in official | |
| | correspondence acknowledging our interest. I indicated | STAT |
| 50X1 | was under active consideration for a position and that I | • |
| 50X1 | would keep him advised. Mr. Horton said that | |
| 50X1 | is truly an outstanding individual, she comes from a fine | |
| 50X1 | family, her father is a prominent businessman | |
| | and both she and her brother have distinguished themselves academically. | |
| | He said they had the highest regard for her and hoped that her application | |
| | would be favorably considered. | |
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| 50X1 | 2. Left a message for Walter Besterman | |
| 50X1 | regarding in whom he had expressed an interest. | |
| | (See Journals of 29 April, 27 May and 2 June.) Besterman is being | |
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| | 3. At his request, I met with Mr. Harry | |
| | McAdams, former Staff Assistant to Representative Paul Kilday and | |
| 50X1 | now Staff Assistant to Representative John Young. McAdams said that | |
| 50X1 | Mr. Young had recently seen | |
| 50X1 | who indicated an interest in being in contact with | |
| 50X1 | the Agency. | _ |
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Had a brief chat with Mr. Russ Blandford

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Left for Representative John Brademas the essence of ORR's comments on a paper which the Congressman had written on the subject of the status of graduate education in the Soviet Union.

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concerning the application of a candidate for the JOT program in whom Blandford had indicated an interest. Blandford said he did not want to push us into hiring but indicated that he considered him to be a fine young man who was contacted by the Agency for the JOT program and, subsequent to that contact, had developed a genuine interest in an assignment with CIA. I asked Blandford if he knew whether was genuinely interested in a career in CIA. Blandford said he could not answer this question but agreed that this was a necessary factor for favorable consideration. He merely wished to have this case reviewed at least at Mr. Echols' level. Blandford is aware that we are cutting back on our appointments of military personnel to the JOT program because of our experience that few of these candidates remain with the Agency following their military assignment. We are checking with Mr. Echols on this.

Mr. Blandford took this occasion to ask how we are doing with our retirement bill in the Senate. I told him that although we had pursued the matter vigorously, we had been unable to get together with Senator Russell, however, the Director was trying to see him this week. Blandford was most emphatic in stating his opinion that this legislation was at a critical stage for, in his opinion, if the Senate does not act on the bill this year, he does not anticipate favorable House action a second time around. He said he just did not feel that Representative Rivers would pursue the matter. He added that, in his opinion, the Director should discuss this with the President indicating that he feels this legislation is essential for employees of this Agency and asking the President to intervene with Senator Russell with a request that he at least give the Agency an opportunity to be heard.

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Chatted with Mrs. Gunther, in the office of Representative Samuel S. Stratton about our many attempts to get together with the Congressman. Stratton has not been available and will not be available for several weeks. We will contact his office again when the House reconvenes on the 20th of this month.

Assistant Legislative Counsel

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